

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
LIMITED,
CHEMISTS.MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED
WATERS.

WE devote special attention to this part of our business, and our process ensures a perfect filtration and purification of the water, and thorough saturation with Gas.

Our plant comprises some of the largest and finest machinery ever shipped from England, and embraces a combination of all the most modern improvements for filling corked bottles or syphons. Our machinery is fitted with tin-lined tubing, and the fact that our Waters are free from metallic or any other contamination is certified by Messrs. Hassall and Clayton, Analysts to the City of London.

The following are manufactured daily:—
AERATED WATER, GINGER ALE,
SODA WATER, SELTZER,
LEMONADE, LITHIA,
TONIC, SARSAFARILLA.

Our Aerated Sarsaparilla is prepared from a fluid extract of Red Jamaica Sarsaparilla made in our own laboratory, and is not merely a flavoured water as so many brands of this popular beverage are.

Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1890. [52]

WINES AND SPIRITS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD
(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841)
HONGKONG.

WE invite attention to the following old landed brands, all of which are of excellent quality and good value for the money.

The same being specially selected by our London House, and bought direct from the most noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best goods at moderate prices.

In ordering it is only necessary to state the name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted, and initial letter for quality desired.

Orders through Local Post or by Telegram receive prompt attention.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use.)

	Per Case	Per Bottle
A. Alto Dour, good quality, Green Capsule.....	\$10	\$1.00
B. Vintage, Superior quality, Red Capsule.....	12	1.10
C. Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule.....	14	1.25
D. Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).....	18	1.50
SHERRIES.		
A. Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule.....	6	0.60
B. Superior Old Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.....	7.50	0.75
C. Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule.....	10	1.00
CC. Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule.....	10	1.00
D. Very Superior Old Dry, White Seal Capsule.....	10	1.00
E. Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).....	14	1.52
CLARETS.		
A. Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule.....	\$4	\$4.50
B. St. Estephe, Red Capsule.....	5	5.00
C. St. Julien.....	7	7.50
D. La Rose.....	11	12.00
BRANDY.		
A. Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule.....	\$12	\$1.10
B. Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule.....	14	1.25
C. Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule.....	18	1.50
D. Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule.....	24	2.00
SCOTCH WHISKY.		
A. Thorne's Blend, White Capsule.....	8	0.75
B. Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
C. Watson's Aboulay-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
D. Watson's H. K. D. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule.....	10	1.00
E. Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule.....	12	1.10
IRISH WHISKY.		
A. John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule.....	8	0.75
B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
C. John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	12	1.10
GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name.....	10	1.00
GIN.		
A. Fine Old Tom, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
B. Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
C. Fine A. V. H. Geneva.....	5.25	0.50
RUM.		
Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule.....	12	1.00
Good Leeward Island.....	\$1.50	per Gallon.
LIQUEURS.		
Benedictine Maraschino		
Curaçao Herring's Cherry Cordial		
Chartreuse Dr. Siegel's Angostura Bitters, &c.		

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 1890.

TELEGRAMS.

MR. STANLEY.

LONDON, April 9th.
Mr. Stanley has left Egypt for Brussels.

GERMANY.

The Reichstag is summoned to meet on the 6th May.

AUSTRIA.

A serious strike and rioting have occurred in Vienna.

INDIA.

BOMBAY, April 11th.

Lord Harris has arrived in Bombay and was received with the usual honours on landing.

Lord Reay leaves on Saturday. Replying to an address of the Corporation Lord Harris promised attention to the housing of the working classes and the completion of the harbour defences.

GERMANY.

LONDON, April 11th.

The new Military Bill will demand an extra credit of between forty and fifty millions of marks.

AUSTRIA.

April 12th.

Rioting continues in Vienna.

SPAIN.

Serious anti-Carlist riots have broken out in Valencia; the garrison is kept under arms.

PARLIAMENT.

A Gladstonian has been elected for Carnarvon District in place of Mr. E. Swettenham, Q.C.

PORTUGAL IN AFRICA.

April 14th.

A large armed Portuguese expedition with artillery has started up the Shire river, it is believed, with the purpose of attacking Mponda.

GERMANY IN AFRICA.

German influence has induced the Sultan of Zanzibar to withdraw the concession of the islands of Manda and Patta from the British Africa Company. The latter's proxy has declined to accept the withdrawal.

THE CENTRAL ALLIANCE.

It is denied that General Caprivi, Count Kalnoky, and Signor Crispien will meet this summer.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co., courteously informs us that the steamship *Rohilla*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. yesterday.

A REGULAR meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1025, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zeland Street, this evening, at 8.30 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

BARNUM is nothing if not original. He proposes as a novel feature of the World's Fair of 1892, the securing from the Khedive of the mummy of Rameses-II (the Pharaoh who persecuted the Israelites), and the exhibition of the relic under a guard of Egyptian soldiers.

THE Duke of Connaught forwarded to Shanghai, from Nagasaki, through H.B.M. Consul-General, two large photographs of himself, one for the outgoing Taitai Kung, and the other for the incoming Taitai Nich. They were accompanied by autograph letters from his royal highness.

THE *Rangoon Gazette* understands that Mr. A. R. Colquhoun has received a valuable post in the South African Company, having been appointed Superintendent of the rich and fertile province of Mafeking. It is stated that his emoluments will be about two thousand sterling per annum.

THE Band of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will play the following programme at 8 o'clock:—

"Nightingale".....Gossard.
"Deutsche Helden".....Gossard.
"Selection".....Gossard.
"Chorus from.....Gossard.
"The Jacobites".....Gossard.

THE Hankow correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* writes that quite a spurt has been given to imports, which have had the benefit of very cheap freights, but holders of last year's goods are not particularly pleased. The battle of the steamer companies will only give natives a temporary advantage, and unfortunately it is easier to lower freights than to raise them afterwards when owners have kissed again. Meanwhile the contest continues to the bitter end, which will be when natives and their goods are carried "free." At present with good management the rates are high enough to prevent much loss, but it is a great pity that the large companies have fallen out, for it means ruin to the shareholders whatever the result may be to the managers. Can any body of steamer owners imagine that they can secure the monopoly of the carrying trade? When they have ruined their opponents at a cost of say, £1,000,000, will they be able to recoup themselves for this loss? It is not to the advantage of the public that there should be a monopoly, and without the support of shippers, etc., a monopoly is impossible.

A NORTHERN contemporary hears from Burma that arrangements have now been made at Bhamo by which the old road, known as the Ambassador's Route, from that place into China, has been reopened for trade, after being closed for more than twelve years on account of the number of petty chiefs' territories through which it passed, and the absence of any one chief powerful enough to guarantee protection to the caravans. The road follows the south bank of the Tapeng until it enters the Chinese Shan States. Under the new arrangement all the chiefs agree to protect the caravans in their respective territories, to keep the roads in repair, to desist from the practice of demanding presents, and to refer all disputes to the British authorities at Bhamo. The tolls are all to be collected at Bhamo, and periodical meetings of chiefs called for the purpose of division in proper and stated proportions. If any chief should break the agreement he will be liable to lose his share and to be further punished by the British and his fellow chiefs. Moreover, the Government agreed to add to the toll fund a sum of five rupees for every hundred pack animals reaching Bhamo by this route, and to afford protection to the tribes entering into the agreement against all hostile attacks. On the other side, the Chinese merchants agree to use the road, and to pay eight annas for each pack animal and two for each coolie. Of the advantage of this arrangement to trade there can be no doubt whatever, and it seems to meet the peculiar difficulties of the position very skilfully. In the first place the villagers were always demanding presents for allowing the caravans to pass; the caravans themselves, when they felt strong enough, quarrelled with the people; the Chinese tried to cheat the tribes in the tolls and the tribes brought false charges against the caravan men. In this way a caravan of several thousand mules might be stopped for days. But now these disputes are to be referred to Bhamo, and the stoppage of caravans will cease.

A NEW steamer for Messrs. Butterfield and Swire—the *Sigara*, 1,000 tons—arrived from England to-day. She is intended for coast traffic.

An Emergency meeting of Zeland Lodge, No. 525, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zeland Street, on Thursday, the 21st instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

M. VICTOR ROQUE, one of the captives held by the rebels in Tonquin recently, arrived here yesterday from Hongkong, by the *Maria*. He is a deaf, white-haired old millionaire, who has evidently aged a great deal during his recent privations. He would not be interviewed, though.

THE E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Tannadice* arrived to-day, so that three vessels belonging to that Company were in harbor together. She brought back the thirty victorious Macclesfield soldiers who had decimated Timor. The heaviest of them weighed eight stone nothing.

THE *B. N. Borneo Herald* of the 1st inst. publishes a circular issued by Capt. Dorff, of the *Memmas*, before leaving Sandakan. It was an invitation to excursionists to visit Hongkong to see the illuminations, the great attraction being the "opportunity of gazing upon

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not often given to people in this isolated part of the Universe!—The *Herald* regrets that nobody thought the game worth the candle.

It may interest some of our readers in Japan to know that Mr. Rapp, auctioneer, testified in the Wanchai arson case this morning that most of the hundreds of cases of the "kill-at-500 yards" brandy which sells at about one dollar and sixty cents per case of dozen bottles—is chiefly bought for sale in the land of the Chrysanthemum. An inspector of liquors seems as necessary an official as an inspector of nuisances in the land of Dai Nippon, and possibly in Hongkong also. Such brandy cannot be fit for human beings.

THE Legislative Council will have to appoint a crank-killer. A despatch from Port Townsend says that Miss Regina Rothchild, a young lady of that city, started from there on March 17th on a tour of the globe, an attempt to beat all previous records. Citizens have subscribed \$3,000 towards the trip. Miss Rothchild will travel eastward over the Canadian Pacific, and expected to leave there on the same day that George Francis Train was announced to sail from Tacoma westward. Miss Rothchild expects to make the trip in sixty-one days.

Is our Police force degenerating? Yesterday a European constable was remanded on a charge of assault, and a Sikh on suspicion of "squeezing," and to-day Mr. Wodehouse had a *lukong* belonging to the Water Police before him, accused of highway robbery. The prosecutor, a hawker, said that on Sunday morning he was going along the road at Yau-mai-lai, with \$3 in his hand, when he met the prisoner, who demanded his money and took the three dollars off him. The prisoner's excuse was that the man owed him some money. He was remanded.

FROM two different parts of the world, South America and British North Borneo, stories come of advantage being taken of the cannibal propensities of white ants to compass their destruction. One writer says that his house was threatened with total destruction by this plague of the tropics, when he made a paste of white ants and arsenic, which the ants eagerly devoured, and in a fortnight the house was entirely cleared of the pests. In this case, we may suppose that the house got a bad name among the white ants, so that they left it after many had died. In the North Borneo case, however, the narrator talks of extermination, which seems as impossible with white ants as it would be with mosquitoes. He is a planter, and he says he pours a solution of corrosive sublimate into the ants' habitat. One of the ants eats a particle and dies; then others eat the dead one and die, and the dying are themselves eaten, with further fatal effects. The flavour of romance about this story is very strong, but no one need be disappointed, for we are simply left to face with the old truth that there is no remedy for white ants.

THE Secretary of the Hongkong Cricket Club needs lessons in consideration. Until it appeared in the Singapore papers Hongkong had no idea that the following kind invitation, or the reply to it, had been sent:—

Singapore, March 18th, 1890.
To the Secretary,
Hongkong Cricket Club.

DEAR Sir,—I am directed by the President and Committee of the Singapore Cricket Club to invite the Hongkong Cricket Club to send a team to Singapore to play the Straits Settlements some time this year. The Committee would suggest a date either early in June or during the month of August, but they would leave it an open one to suit the convenience of the Hongkong Cricket Club. I trust there will be no difficulty in carrying out the arrangement made when I was in Hongkong that your Cricketers should pay a visit as early as possible, as we are all here very anxious to show our great appreciation of the kindness shown to us in January last. Unless the match takes place before October some of us who played at Hongkong may have left the Straits.

I am, &c.,
F. V. HORNBY,
Capt. Singapore Cricket Club.
Hongkong, April 8th 1890.

To the Secretary,
Singapore Cricket Club.

DEAR Sir,—I am directed by the President and Committee of the Hongkong Cricket Club to acknowledge the receipt and to thank you for your friendly challenge of the 12th March which I very much regret to say we are unable to accept. The members of the team though anxious to go cannot possibly get leave as they have already been to Shanghai this season. I have delayed answering your kind invitation before until I was able to say positively whether I could despatch a team or not.

I am, &c.,
ARTHUR A. TRAVERS,
Secretary, Hongkong Cricket Club.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before Mr. Fielding Clark, Acting Chief Justice.)

THE WANCHAI ARSON CASE.

The hearing of this case was resumed to-day, the Attorney-General (Mr. W. M. Goodman) prosecuting, and Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. Wilkinson) defending.

H. C. Rapp, appraiser, gave evidence respecting the valuation taken by him of contents of Lucas' premises in Wanchai. He placed the utmost value of the contents at \$22,000. Lucas might possibly make that amount out of the things.

Other evidence followed.

Mr. Francis in opening the case for the defence, said he would show that Lucas had no small amount of property and funds in the bank.

William Robert Needham, accountant at the New Oriental Bank, stated that \$125 on the 3rd March, on 5th \$70, on 4th April \$95, on 8th April \$55, on 11th April \$50, and on the 12th April \$32, were paid in. Up to last night only \$500 stood at credit of the prisoner. The account was opened after the fire. Prisoner had no account before the second of March.

James Edwards, proprietor of the Marine Hotel, said he had known Lucas for some years. He was a general store-dealer and small loan maker. He had a booth at the Race-Course. He believed Lucas had money. He knew that Lucas was not a popular man.

By the Attorney-General.—Lucas made an offer to him to furnish his hotel with liquors; but nothing came of the offer.

Charles David Wilkinson, solicitor, said he possessed several promissory notes amounting to about \$2,000 belonging to Lucas.

By the Attorney-General. If these notes were paid they would amount to \$2,000.

Inspector Swanton, called by His Lordship, said Lucas' booth at the race course was used for gambling, and selling sweets and liquor. Money was not taken in his booth—it was arranged by tickets.

Mr. Francis said the prisoner was constantly bringing debtors, Chinese, Indians, and others, to Court, and was therefore very unpopular. There was a great difference in a man setting fire to his house to destroy it, and setting it on fire for the purpose of defrauding an insurance company. There was an entire absence of motive in this case. There had been no attempt on the part of the prosecution to prove that prisoner was in any kind of distress or in poverty. If he had taken away the most valuable property before the fire then the case would bear a very bad aspect, but evidence showed that Lucas did not do so. The prisoner was in possession of money at the time of the fire and was probably making money at the time of the fire. To obtain a conviction the prosecution must prove that Lucas himself set fire to his premises. There was a great danger of injustice to a prisoner where preliminary enquiries extended over a long period, or, as in this case, where the fire enquiry was peculiarly deficient and irregular. It was quite possible that some of Lucas' numerous enemies rushed into the house as soon as it was broken open, and with a view to causing suspicion to rest upon a prisoner, themselves threw kerosene about. He submitted that it was highly probable that the fire in the boxes and on the cloths was caused by sparks started from the door, and from the outside. The evidence of the police would have been more useful had it been more straightforward and much more free from exaggeration. He admitted that the circumstances of the case were suspicious, but contended that there was no conclusive evidence to prove that Lucas was the only man in the house and that Lucas caused the fire himself.

After a reply by the Attorney-General.

His Lordship summoned up. He told the jury that they must be reasonable, satisfied of guilt and not give a verdict hastily, upon mere suspicion.

At 4.30 the jury retired to consult privately, returning at 5.15 p.m. with a verdict of "not guilty" by four to three.

A CHINESE SULLIVAN.

A Chinese pugilist who ought to have a go at Sullivan, or Morse, or the ninety-inch waisted party who used to live here, exists at Yau-mai-lai. He is not happy—first because he is in the hands of the police, and secondly because he has a rival. He is a professor of boxing and fencing, as understood by the Celestial athlete, and yesterday he got a man to write the following for him:—

Having been informed that a man named Lau Kwan, who keeps a place at Hungnam, where he instructs pupils in the art of fighting and self defence, boasts that he has no equal in his profession, and offers an inducement in the shape of \$10 to anyone who has the courage to meet him at the manly art and bend his arm—his strength being equal to several hundred catties.

Now I, Hok Lo Chun, have travelled over many countries of the globe, but never met a man who is so boastful and proud of his superiority in his profession. I also have some knowledge of fighting, and therefore write this and post it up, so that all men can see me challenging him to meet me at the spot in front of the Kwan Yee Temple, Hongnam, at 5 p.m. this day (and night) man against man, there to try with me his skill in fighting, and the result of the test will be to settle beyond a doubt who is the best man. If this Lau Kwan refuses to come out then he is a vain boaster and rank coward, and he must clear out of the place altogether, for he is only an upstart; and when put to the test, a baby at heart—therefore not fit to associate with respectable men. I hope all people will excuse me. Dated this 31st day of the 3rd moon Hok Lo Chun. The placard attracted a good deal of attention, the writer having many supporters, but very soon the police annexed both the challenge and its author. He, together with the "baby at heart," were arraigned before Mr. Wodehouse this morning, and remanded.

PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The report for presentation to the shareholders of the above Company, at the first ordinary yearly meeting to be held at the City Hall on Saturday next, is as follows:—

In accordance with Paragraph 2 of Clause XX of the Articles of Association the Directors now beg leave to submit to the shareholders their report and statement of accounts for the year 1889.

PROPERTY.

The cost of the Contract for building the Hotel is larger than was originally anticipated, the reason being that upon consideration it was found undesirable to extend the old building and the new plan more suitable for the purposes of the Hotel were adopted. The old building known as the Peak Hotel has already been removed; it was found necessary to do this at once because the Government required that all earth-cutting and tipping should be completed before the rainy season, and in order that the Contractor for the new buildings should have full scope to make all the progress he could during the winter months.

The Directors are glad to say that the work has progressed favourably, and it is hoped that a portion of the Hotel will be ready for occupation by June next.

CHARGEUR.

It was considered desirable that the Company should have temporary premises suitable for visitors, during the building of the Hotel, and consequently Mr. Thomas' lease of Craigiebarny was taken over by the Company. It was for a term of three years, by which time it was estimated the Company's Hotel would be completed, and be in thorough working order; the progress that has been made however with the new

buildings will probably permit of occupation at an earlier date.

WORKING ACCOUNT.

The Directors regret that the first year's working shows a loss of \$5,514.34, which however includes the Preliminary Expenses, amounting to \$2,114.22. Owing to the damage caused by heavy rain storms in May the Tramway stopped running for two months during the best season of the year, and the Hotel receipts suffered in consequence.

The Board anticipates that the expenses of carrying on the business during the present year will be considerably reduced, and is of opinion that the prospects of the Company are favourable.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. Alexander Findlay Smith having retired from the Board on his departure from the Colony Mr. Jas. Anderson was invited to take his place. In accordance with Paragraph V of Clause XV of the Articles of Association Messrs. P. Ryrie and J. B. Coughtrie retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITOR.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. Fullerton Henderson, whose appointment requires confirmation.

F. RYRIE, Chairman.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1890.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR

ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1889.

Liabilities.

Capital:—	
1,000 shares each deemed to be paid up \$15 allotted to A. Findlay Smith as per prospectus \$15,000.00	
3,000 shares each paid up \$15 allotted to the public.....	45,000.00
1st instalment of 1st Call of \$1 upon 4,000 shares.....	20,000.00
Less amount unpaid.....	6,865.00
	13,135.00
Debtors:—	
650 Debitures each \$100 handed to A. Findlay Smith as per prospectus.....	65,000.00
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Current Account.....	2,971.13
	\$141,036.13

Assets.

Property:—	
Amount paid A. Findlay Smith for Land and Building taken over as per prospectus.....	\$95,000.00
Amount since expended on the New Buildings.....	12,312.00
Furniture.....	12,207.64
St. ck.....	10,749.74
Sundry Debtors.....	1,541.41
Profit and Loss.....	5,514.34
	\$141,036.13

Dr. WORKING ACCOUNT.

To Provisions, Wines, &c.....	\$18, 65 36
" Charges.....	8,244 12
" Salaries and Wages.....	6,777 91
" Preliminary Expenses.....	7,114 22
	\$35,298 61
By Revenue.....	\$29,274 53
" Interest.....	383 74
" Scrip and Transfer Fees.....	106 00
" Amount carried forward to a new account.....	5,514 34
	\$35,298 61

I have compared the accounts with the Books and Vouchers at the Company's office and found them correct.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1890.

F. HENDERSON, Auditor.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE ASIAN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

DEAR Sir,—I have received for the Funds of the Hospital:—

B. P. Koranji, Esq. (Canton).....\$ 5

K. W. Koch, Esq. 5

T. T. 2

J. J. Francis, Esq., Q.C. 50

Augusto J. do Rozario, Esq. 10

and \$485.97 as the result of the concert given by the pupils of Signor Cantonese, 333 tickets sold realized \$727.60, and the expenses of the concert amounted to \$241.63.

Yours faithfully,

E. W. MAITLAND,
Hon. Treasurer,
Asian Memorial Hospital.

Hongkong, April 22nd, 1890.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. S. Co.'s steamer *Tannadice*, Captain Helms

The Yorkshire coal-owners have yielded to the demands of the men.

The strike is now ended, the masters having conceded amended terms to the men. The terms of the settlement agreed to on behalf of the coal-owners and of the men on strike are: net increase of 5 per cent. in wages, to commence immediately, with a second increase of 5 per cent., to begin on August 1st. The men resume work to-morrow (21st). A principle has been established regulating wages in future.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, President of the Board of Trade, has announced that the Board of Trade would be unable to institute an inquiry into the circumstances attending the wreck of the *Quetta* until it was known whether an injury was to be held in Queensland.

The trial of Mrs. Davies and her two sons on the charge of murder has been concluded. The accused were found guilty; but a recommendation to mercy was added to the verdict in regard to the two sons on account of their youth. Sentence of death was passed upon them.

The French soldiers of an outpost on the Congo River, which was attacked and captured by natives, were eaten by the victorious natives. The bill granting to colonial Courts of Admiralty analogous powers to those possessed by the English Courts has passed the House of Lords.

It is reported that Prince Bismarck has declined to accept the dukedom offered to him by the Emperor on the ground that he is too poor to maintain the dignity of the position.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

The youthful brothers Davies, charged with the murder of their father at Crews, have been sentenced to death. The hearing of the case created a great sensation.

A disastrous fire has been raging at Simla since morning. It broke out in the bazaar and spread rapidly to the buildings on the Mall. Messrs. Davies and Company's premises, the old Rink, the Municipal Market, and several native shops were destroyed, and there was some loss of life among purdah women and children. The Simla Volunteer Armory was burnt, most of the Government rifles and the clothing of the corps being destroyed. The total loss, as known at present, is about fifty lakhs.

Lord Salisbury has assured Portugal that Britain will repudiate Consular action in Portugal in the British flag on Portuguese territory. In the case of the *General*, Count Kalmay, and Signor Crispini are to confer shortly.

Mr. Balfour, last night, introduced into the House of Commons his Irish Land Purchase Bill. The powers, the right hon. gentleman explained, were permissive. The maximum loan the Bill proposed should be advanced to an individual was the value of his land at twenty years' purchase, and the total advances thirty millions. The Bill provides indirect British guarantees and elaborate safeguards for repayment, and proposes separate treatment of the congested districts. Mr. Gladstone characterised the Bill as the most complex measure ever submitted to Parliament. The second reading was fixed for the 14th instant.

Consul Johnston reports from Zanzibar that the crew of H. M. S. *Resolvent* has been boycotted in Mozambique by the order of the Governor, and numerous British Indian subjects have been imprisoned. The *Norddeutsche*, in an apparently inspired article, says the real reason for Prince Bismarck's resignation is to be found in the result of the elections and the loss of his ancient influence.

A dinner was given at the British Embassy last night to the Prince of Wales. The Emperor and the Prince of Wales proposed each other's healths, and expressed hopes for the continued prosperity of the two nations. Mr. Kenton has been returned for East Down vacancy unopposed.

It was announced in Parliament this afternoon that Lord Arthur Somerset had ceased to be a magistrate in Monmouth, and that he would receive no pension on account of his retirement from the Army.

ALLAHABAD, March 26th. The fire is still smouldering at Simla. The estimated loss is ten lakhs. Many native handicraftsmen are ruined, their lathes and tools having been destroyed.

LONDON, March 26th. The official declaration of the poll at Ayr shows Mr. Somerville, the Conservative candidate, to have been returned by a majority of one hundred and thirty votes.

Mr. Knox, Nationalist, has been returned for Cavan unopposed.

Austria has resolved to spend two million florins in the purchase of smokeless powder.

The Portuguese dispute with England and America as to the Delagoa Railway is stated to be on the eve of settlement.

ALLAHABAD, March 27th. A number of Maxim guns for use by British Regiments will probably reach India during the current year.

The home authorities are said to regard favourably the proposal to apply the new musketry course, which has been so successful in the Native Army, to British troops in this country.

The Amir, who was to have started for Herat on the 21st inst., is now going direct to Kabul. The rumours of disturbances at Kandahar would seem to be groundless.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 28th. A plot on an extensive scale, levelled against the Czar, has been discovered here among the army officers and the students.

The riots are increasing. The University is closed, and is guarded by the police.

LONDON, March 28th. A cyclone, attended by deluges of rain and hail, is reported to have swept over Illinois, Kentucky, and Indiana. Many villages have been demolished, and enormous damage done in the adjacent districts. Three thousand buildings at Louisville have been wrecked.

It is believed that five hundred persons have been killed, their bodies lying heaped up in the streets. The ruins took fire in seven places. The Louisville Public Hall was wrecked, a hundred of the occupants perishing.

March 29th. It is estimated that something like fifteen hundred lives have been lost as a result of the cyclone in America. Several towns have been isolated, and it is feared they are wrecked.

The damage to property caused by the cyclone at Louisville is estimated at three million pounds. General John York, C.B., Colonel of the First Royal Dragoons, is dead.

The overdue steamer *City of Paris*, with a thousand passengers on board, was towed into Queenstown to-day. An explosion of a cylinder had made a hole in the bottom. Tows were ordered to readress, but the vessel floated for two days through incessant pumping. The admirable behaviour of the crew calmed the passengers, who all arrived safely.

BERLIN, March 30th. A military balloon which ascended from Berlin collapsed over the forest of Posen. A soldier who was in the car was killed, and a Captain of Engineers who was in charge had his legs broken by the fall.

Princess Bismarck and his family are staying at Friedrichsruhe.

BELOGRADE, March 31st. An excited crowd gathered in front of the Bulgarian Agency here to-day, and hooted the Agent, who has since been withdrawn.

ZANZIBAR, April 1st. Emin Pacha has joined the German service and will start on the 20th instant for Nyansa with a caravan. The Germans have concluded peace with Bwanaheri.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 1st. A man chosen by a clique of Nihilist plotters to kill the Czar committed suicide yesterday, leaving behind him a letter in which he reveals his motives. Many other Nihilist plotters have been made here, at Kieff and Kharkoff. R-novled rioting has broken out.

LONDON, April 1st. Desha's unity in Arkansas is flooded to a depth of fifteen feet. Three thousand people are famishing on the lower tops, their rescue not yet being practicable.

April 2nd. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* says that the Czar has suddenly become unwell. Referring to yesterday's account of the suicide of the man chosen to kill the Czar, the same correspondent says that the man was a member of the aristocracy and that the Czar is unwell, and the matter is being hushed up.

ZANZIBAR, April 2nd. Emin proposes to leave Bugamoyo in a fortnight's time, with a staff of German officers and a large caravan, for Victoria Nyansa, with a view to establish German and out British trade. His decision is viewed with disfavour in Zanzibar.

The Germans everywhere along the Coast are displaying phenomenal activity. They have made peace with Bwanaheri, and Major Wissmann concentrates his energies on this enterprise inland after having forbidden caravans to German territory.

BOMBAY, April 2nd. Mr. Parnell has filed denials of the accusations preferred against him by Captain O'Shea in connection with his association with Mrs. O'Shea. The respondent asks for a month's delay, to which the plaintiff objects, urging that Mr. Parnell and Mrs. O'Shea are delaying the proceedings to serve the former's political ends.

BERLIN, April 2nd. A report is current here that the Czar has been suddenly taken ill and has had frequent fainting fits.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 2nd. The Czar's illness is denied here.

LONDON, April 3rd. Mr. Barry, Conservative, has been elected for Windsor by a majority of 550 votes over Mr. Greenfield, Gladstonian Liberal, in the place of Mr. Richardson-Gardner, who has retired and who was unopposed at the last election.

The Queen visits the Emperor William and Empress Frederick at Darmstadt before returning to England. The Prince of Wales visited Mr. Carnot in Paris yesterday and then proceeded to Cannes.

HANKOW RACES.

FIRST DAY, TUESDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1890. The Spring Meeting was held on the 8th and 9th instants, with a hot south wind blowing, and a hard, very fast course. 10 griffins made their debut, and only one good one among them, a specially imported Mongolian pony who would attract the judge's eye on any course and in any company in China. Numerous visitors graced the Stand, and some Shanghai riders came to help us. The griffins being amiable, the starts throughout were good.

SHA PAO CUP, value \$100; for all Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. Once round.

Mr. Beaumman's Waldmeister, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 1. Mr. Beaumman's Lohengrin, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 2. Mr. Nicholas' Tamerlane, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Read 3. Mr. Oolachan's Coldstream, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 0.

Mr. Portland's Ordeal, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0. Coldstream and Waldmeister were equal favorites, but at the Factory Coldstream's heart failed him and Waldmeister cantered in an easy winner, Lohengrin pulling up close to him, Tamerlane a bad third. Time, 1min. 57sec.

STAND PLATE, value \$75; for all Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. Half a mile.

Mr. Nicholas' Gengis Khan, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 1. Mr. Beaumman's Tannhäuser, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 2. Mr. Oolachan's Barse, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 3.

Tannhäuser kept the lead to within 300 yards of home, when Gengis Khan came to the front and won by a length and a half. Bad third. Time, 59 sec.

MAIDY STAKES, value \$150; for Ponies that have never run at any previous Meeting; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Nicholas' Mamay, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 1. Mr. Beaumman's Rheingold, 11st. 11lb. Mr. D'Amour 2. Mr. Nicholas' Attila, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 3.

Mr. McCraw's Scottie, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Greaves 1. Mr. Naylor's Pilgrim, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Taylor 0. Mr. Oolachan's Bedouin, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 0.

Mr. Alex. Price's Zetland, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0. This was a very hollow affair. Mamay and Rheingold were followed by the field, raced to the 3 mile post, when Mamay came away and won by a number of lengths, say half a furlong more or less, in 1:31, being 14 seconds better than the record. Bad third; Zetland last.

CART-IRON CUP, value \$100; presented by H. J. Bruche, Esq.; for Griffins; entries to go to the Second Pony; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. McCraw's U. Bet, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 1. Mr. Nicholas' Batty, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 2. Mr. Jedar's Fontainebleau, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 3.

Mr. Naylor's Sinbad, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Taylor 0. Mr. Alex. Price's Thirak, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0. U. Bet with inside place took a slight lead and maintained it all the way, winning by 14 lengths in 2:41—poor time when compared with previous races.

LOTTERY CUP, value \$100; presented; for all Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. One mile and a half.

Mr. Oolachan's Oodaly, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 1. Mr. Nicholas' Attila, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 2. Mr. Beaumman's Lohengrin, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 3.

This was a very popular win, owner and rider both receiving a flattering ovation. Oodaly took a forward place and held it throughout, winning from Attila by a length in 3m. 17sec.

GERMAN CUP, presented by Germans residing at or visiting Hankow. For Griffins. To be won twice consecutively, or three times in all by Griffins, the *hand side* property of the same owner or owners; entries to go to the winner till the Cup is finally won when they go to the second pony; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. Once round.

Mr. Nicholas' Mamay, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 1. Mr. McCraw's Birkie, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 2. Mr. Nicholas' Temouchin, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Reynell 3. Mr. Oolachan's Bedouin, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 0.

Mr. Naylor's Pilgrim, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Taylor 0. Mr. Jedar's Chantilly, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Ramsay 0. Mr. Portland's Ordeal, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Sinclair 0. Temouchin went away with a strong lead to the Factory where Mamay drew up to him and ran home a easy winner by 14 lengths from Birkie in 1:51. Temouchin a bad third. This was the latest race of the meeting and beat previous records by 14 seconds.

LACING STAKES, a forced entry, for all Ponies entered at this meeting. First Pony 75 per cent. Second Pony 25 per cent., if more than two ponies start, otherwise, one prize; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. Once round.

Mr. Beaumman's Waldmeister, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 1. Mr. Nicholas' Gengis Khan, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 2. Mr. Beaumman's Rheingold, 11st. 11lb. Mr. D'Amour 3.

Mr. Alex. Price's Thirak, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0. Mr. Oolachan's Coldstream, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 0.

Mr. McCraw's Scottie, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Sinclair 0. Coldstream and Rheingold made the running to the Factory, but the pace was too great for them and they retired in favour of Waldmeister and Gengis Khan, who ran a good race, home in 1:56, finishing in the order named.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, 9TH APRIL, 1890. TAOTAI'S CUP, presented by H. E. the Taotai. Value \$100; for all Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. One mile.

Mr. Nicholas' Gengis Khan, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 1. Mr. Oolachan's Oodaly, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 2.

The ponies kept well together to the 3 mile post, when Gengis Khan gradually drew away and won by a length in 2:41.

HANKOW DERBY, a Sweepstakes of Tls. 10 each with \$50 from the Hankow Junior Club, and \$75 from the Hankow Race Club each, added. For Griffins. First Pony to receive 75 per cent. Second Pony 25 per cent., if more than two ponies start otherwise, one prize; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. One mile and a half.

Mr. McCraw's U. Bet, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 1. Mr. Nicholas' Batty, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 2. Mr. Jedar's Fontainebleau, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 3.

Mr. Alex. Price's Zetland, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0. Mr. McCraw's Scottie, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Ramsay 0.

Mr. Naylor's Sinbad, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Taylor 0. Mr. Portland's Ordeal, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Sinclair 0. Mr. McCraw declared to win on U. Bet.

The crack being absent, a large field contested this valuable prize. Zetland took a lead of 40 yards from U. Bet, the same distance separating U. Bet from the field. The second time round U. Bet went up to the leader at the Factory and took first place; at the quarter mile post Batty challenged the leader but could not reach him, U. Bet winning with the greatest ease by a few lengths, Fontainebleau a bad third, Ordeal last. Time, 3m. 19sec.

HANKOW CLUB CUP, value \$—, presented by the members; for all Ponies; winners at previous meetings 3lb. extra; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Beaumman's Lohengrin, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 1. Mr. Nicholas' Tamerlane, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Read 2. Mr. Alex. Price's Thirak, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 3.

Mr. Beaumman's Tannhäuser, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Rosthorn 0. Tannhäuser took a long lead and all struggled past the post the first time, Tannhäuser bringing up the rear. At the Factory Tannhäuser and Thirak were finished and Lohengrin took the lead; at the quarter mile post Tannhäuser challenged the leader but failed to reach him by a length and a half. Time, 2min. 45sec.—very slow.

COMPRADORE CUP, presented value \$—, for Griffins; winners of one race at this meeting 7lb., if of any two races 10lb. extra; entrance Tls. 5. One mile.

Mr. McCraw's Birkie, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 1. Mr. Beaumman's Rheingold, 11st. 11lb. Mr. D'Amour 2. Mr. Nicholas' Batty, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 3.

Mr. Nicholas' Temouchin, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Read 0. Mr. Oolachan's Bedouin, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 0.

The field kept well together till at the Factory, when Birkie took the lead; at the 3 mile post, Batty and Rheingold challenged the leader and a splendid race ensued, half a length dividing the first three. Time, 2m. 59sec.

STEWARDS' CUP, value \$100; presented by the Stewards; for all Ponies; winners of one race at this meeting 7lb., if of any two races 10lb. extra; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Nicholas' Attila, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 1. Mr. Portland's Ordeal, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 2.

Mr. Alex. Price's Thirak, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 3. Mr. Jedar's Fontainebleau, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Rosthorn 0.

This was a foregone conclusion for Attila, who waited on the field till the 3 mile post when he came away and won as he liked by 3 lengths in 2m. 40sec., worst time of the meeting.

CONSOLATION STAKES, value \$100; for all beaten Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 5. Once round.

Mr. Beaumman's Rheingold, 11st. 11lb. Mr. D'Amour 1. Mr. Oolachan's Coldstream, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 2.

Mr. Naylor's Pilgrim, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Taylor 3. Mr. Jedar's Chantilly, 11st. 11lb. Mr. Ramsay 0.

Mr. Alex. Price's Zetland, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0. Zetland went off with a long lead but at the Factory Rheingold and Coldstream passed him, the former winning by two lengths in 3m. 58sec.

CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES, a forced entry for all winners at this meeting; optional for inches as per scale; entrance Tls. 10; winners of two or more races at this meeting Tls. 20. One Mile.

Mr. Nicholas' Mamay, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Read 1. Mr. Oolachan's Oodaly, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Marzinkewich 2.

Mr. Beaumman's Waldmeister, 10st. 12lb. Mr. D'Amour 3. Mr. Nicholas' Gengis Khan, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Reynell 0.

Mr. McCraw's Birkie, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Greaves 0. Mr. McCraw's U. Bet, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Ramsay 0. Mr. Beaumman's Lohengrin, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Sinclair 0.

Mr. Jedar's Fontainebleau, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Rosthorn 0. Great consternation has been caused in Brunei by the above intelligence and it is reported that the Sultan intends leaving for Singapore by the first steamer to interview Sir C. C. Stanley with a view to recovering possession of the Province, which is the richest in his kingdom. *Herald*, 1st April.

How to gain Flesh and Strength.—Take after each meal about a tablespoonful of Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites. It is almost as palatable as milk and easily digested. The rapidity with which delicate children and sickly people suffering from weakness and wasting disease improve and thrive upon this diet is truly marvellous. As a remedy for Consumption and Throat Affection, and Bronchitis it is unequalled by any other preparation in the world. Any Chemist can supply it. A. S. Watson & Co. (Ld.), Agents in Hongkong and China. *Advertiser*.

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Hongkong, 10th April, 1890.

This resulted in a splendid race between Mamay and Oodaly, who early took the lead and were not afterwards headed; resulting in the victory of the griffin in 2min. 75secs.

OFF DAY. On this day the only race of interest was that between the mafios, mounted on all the best ponies of the meeting; it was generally considered a certainty for Mamay, but getting off badly, his rider judiciously forced him to the front in the first 1/4 of a mile, and spoiled his chance. Coming into the straight, that good-hearted old pony Waldmeister got on the off side of him and managed to beat him by half a length, in 1:56.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO. Mr. J. S. Kennedy has returned to the Sungai Koyah Estate after a trip to Hongkong, Singapore, and Sumatra, and we are glad to see his health has much benefited by his travels. He resumed charge of Sungai Koyah on March 13th, and will, we feel certain, give us good reports as to the tobacco season of 1890, if the elements give him anything like fair play.

Mr. A. R. Dunlop, Magistrate, Sugat and Labuk districts, arrived in Sandakan on March 18th. Owing to the recent heavy rains and floods in the districts, he had experienced some very hard times in the discharge of his duties, and, owing to the difficulty he had in procuring provisions, had been suffering from dysentery. That a magistrate's work up the inland rivers of North Borneo is not exactly a picnic excursion, may be understood from the fact that Mr. Dunlop and his men had to subsist for eight days on dry rice—a fare one can hardly consider succulent.

The following passage, in a letter from a gentleman in Labuan to a friend here, will be comforting to those in Borneo who are interested in the Labuan coal mine:—"I am also sending by this steamer two samples of coal for you from the 12 feet seam. You will be glad to hear that we are getting on rapidly with our permanent ways. We have got to much labour that this railway should soon be finished, and I hope then to have two locomotives running, and turning out from 300 to 400 tons per diem. I have just had a report from W—, chief engineer of the steamer—of a trial of 40 tons of our coal, and it is most satisfactory. He has proved it to be far and away superior for steaming purposes to any Bornean or Japanese coal that he has burned. He tells me, that with their bunkers filled up with this coal, they can make the round trip, Singapore, Labuan, Kudat, Sandakan, Silam, and back to Singapore—without with the other coals, and besides having their bunkers filled, they have to carry a considerable amount as cargo to enable them to make the round trip."

The following Proclamation has been issued by the Rajah of Sarawak, who is now on the Limbang with some of his steamers, and officers superintending the construction of a fort:—

"I hereby make known to all whom it may concern, that on this seventeenth day of March, the Principal Chiefs of the Limbang river, after having for years suffered oppression from the Brunei Government, and after for the last five years maintained their independence against this oppression, have now decided to join the Sarawak Government and place themselves under its authority, in token of which, they of their own free will and accord, hoist the Sarawak Flag in their river."

"This having been this day completed, I, Charles Brooke, Rajah of Sarawak, hereby do make known that I take upon myself the responsibility of annexing the Limbang people and their country to all affairs pertaining to land, trade and property of every description, will, in future, be under the control of the Sarawak Government. And I hereby engage not to touch the independence of His Highness the Sultan of Brunei and his tributaries, and will pay him and his heirs a fair yearly sum as an assistance, and by which, in this and other ways, they may be made gainers by the change."

"This annexation, in justice to the claims of the Limbang inhabitants, having been forced on me, the position will be held, authority established, and resources of the country developed without loss of time, unless Her Majesty the Queen of England may see fit to decide otherwise."

Dated this seventeenth day of March, 1890. A.D. (Signed) C. BROOKE, Rajah.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. THE KWON KWAN YEEN CHALLENGE CUPS, value \$200 and \$700 respectively. Also two Consolation Cups: value \$100 each.

The 1st Stage of the Eighth Competition will take place next SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at 3 p.m. commencing at 300 yards. Entrance Fee 30 cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Wharf at 2:45 P.M., to take over intending Competitors. The Second Stage will be shot off on Saturday, the 23rd May.

CHAS. V. LADDS, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890.

NOTICE. BY the kind permission of Colonel CHATER and Officers, the Band and Pipes of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will play at the LADIES RECREATION CLUB, TO-MORROW (Wednesday) AFTERNOON. Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY. THE Society will Repeat the Cantata RUTH, in St. John's Cathedral, on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 9:15 p.m.

Donations in aid of the Diocesan Home Building Fund will be collected. Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890.

TO LET. No. 3 MORRISON HILL. Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central. Hongkong, 22nd April, 1890.

THE MARINBURK FURNITURE COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. NOTICE is hereby given that a CALL of Ten Dollars (\$10) per Share is payable on or before the 10th May, 1890, to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

By Order of the Board of Directors, J. MARINBURK, Manager. Hongkong, 16th April, 1890.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS. A BONUS of Twenty per cent. upon Contributions for the year 1889 has this day been declared. Warrants may be had on application at the above Office on and after the 1st proximo.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Canton Insurance Office, Limited. Hongkong, 16th April, 1890.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE Third Ordinary Annual MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held in the CHAMBER of COMMERCE ROOMS at the City Hall, at Twelve o'clock (noon), on MONDAY, the 28th April next, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary. Hongkong, 27th March, 1890.

WANTED. BY a quiet, respectable, young man, permanent BOARD and LODGING with an English Family. No other boarders taken preferred.

Apply to SOL FA, c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office. Hongkong, 19th April, 1890.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE Third Ordinary Annual MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held in the CHAMBER of COMMERCE ROOMS at the City Hall, at Twelve o'clock (noon), on MONDAY, the 28th April next, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
MILLINERY, DRAPERY, &c.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on
THURSDAY,
the 24th April 1890, commencing at 2 30 p.m. sharp, at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE STOCK ON TRADE AT MEADAMES GATT & Co., comprising:
FEATHERS, FLOWERS, WOOL, EM. BROODERS, CREWEL, and SEWING SILKS, BRAIDS, LACES, MILLINERY, HABERDASHERY.
&c. &c. &c.
The above will be on view on Thursday next p.m.
TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on delivery.
G. R. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1890. [652]

Notices of Firms.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
I HAVE this day resumed the duties of SECRETARY to the above Company.
By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1890. [640]

NOTICE.
MR. KENNETH DOUGLAS ADAMS, late of Messrs. BIRLEY & Co., Canton, has joined our firm from this date and is authorised to sign the name of the firm.
HERBERT DENT & Co.,
Canton, 15th March, 1890. [524]

NOTICE.
THE firm of BIRLEY & Co. at this port has ceased to exist, and the goodwill and business of the same has been handed over to and will henceforth be conducted by Messrs. HERBERT DENT & Co. of Canton and Messrs. BIRLEY & Co.
Canton, 15th March, 1890. [525]

REFERRING to the above all amounts due to and owing by BIRLEY & Co. will be settled by
KENNETH DOUGLAS ADAMS.
Canton, 15th March, 1890. [526]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD
A SCOTCH LIFE OFFICE OF 63 YEARS STANDING, AND ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST OF THE PROVIDENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

WHEN it is remembered, that a Life Assurance Contract may not fall to be fulfilled for a quarter or even half a century after being entered into, it will be readily understood how important it is to the Policyholder that the past record as well as the present management of the Office should be of the highest possible character. The Standard has a long record of past good services to refer to; its Funds, annually increasing, amount to £6,000,000; and all modern features consistent with safety have been adopted.
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.
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ATLAS ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1890. [599]

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF 1877 IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [66]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [67]

THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1889. [125]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000; \$833,333.33.
EQUAL TO RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. LO YUEN MOON, Esq.
LOU TEO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [1001]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1890. [217]

Intimations.

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.
TIME TABLE.
WEEK DAYS.
8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.
12 to 2 P.M. every half hour (THIN CAR at 12.45).
3 to 7.30 P.M. every quarter of an hour.
THURSDAYS.
NIGHT TRAMS at 10.30 and 11 P.M.
SATURDAYS.
NIGHT TRAMS at 8.45, 9.10.30, 11 P.M.
SUNDAYS.
10.40 A.M.; 12 (NOON) to 2 P.M. every quarter of an hour.
3 to 7.30 P.M. every quarter of an hour.
Special Cars may be obtained on application to the Superintendent.
Single Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office.
MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1889. [1890]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1889. [175]

NOTICE.

JEY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

JEY'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1889. [11]

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1889. [136]



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Intimations.

HONGKONG ATHLETIC CLUB.
AT the GENERAL MEETING held on the 16th instant, under the presidency of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, the following Resolutions were passed:—
1st—That the 'Hongkong Athletic Club' be, and the same is, hereby formed.
2nd—That H.E. The Governor for the time being of the Colony, be President.
3rd—That the Hon. A. P. MacEwen be Vice-President.
4th—That the duty of preparing draft Rules and Regulations be entrusted to Mr. Young, and that a subsequent Meeting be called to consider and approve such Rules, and appoint Officers.
5th—That a notification be published in the local papers inviting Gentlemen who wish to become Members to send in their names to Mr. Young without delay.
The Undersigned will be pleased to receive the names of Gentlemen desirous of being elected Members of this Club, and it is hoped that the Community will give the institution their energetic support.
W. H. YOUNG,
Hon. Sec., pro tem.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1890. [1637]

HONGKONG CLUB.

THE Fourth Yearly GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Club, will be held at the Club House, on FRIDAY, the 25th April, 1890, at 4.30 P.M.
By Order,
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong Club, 17th April, 1890. [630]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club, will be held immediately on the conclusion of the Fourth Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Club, on FRIDAY, the 25th April, 1890, for the purpose set forth in the notice posted in the Hall of the Club House.

By Order,
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong Club, 17th April, 1890. [631]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

SOCIETE FERMIERE DE L'OPIMUM AU TONKIN SOCIETE ANONYME.
CAPITAL 1,440,000 FRANCS.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that, in conformity with the resolutions passed at the GENERAL MEETING under date of 31st March, 1890, the Dividend Warrants for the year 1889 will be paid at the rate of One Hundred and Sixty Dollars per Share, in HANOI, at the Company's Head Office, from the 25th April, 1890.

In HONGKONG, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, from the 25th April to the 10th May, 1890.
R. DE ST. MATHURIN,
Managing Director.
Hanoi, 8th April, 1890. [576]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM BONUS of Twenty per cent. upon Contributions for the year 1889 has been declared.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after the 1st May.

By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1890. [627]

NOTICE OF CONFIRMATORY MEETING.

THE SONGEE KOYAH PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the above named Company, No. 6, Lee House Lane, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of April, 1890, at 4 O'CLOCK in the afternoon, for the purpose of Confirming the Special Resolution proposed and passed at the last Meeting of the Shareholders held on the 14th instant.

A Full and complete copy of the Resolution passed at such meeting may be seen on application at the Company's Office.

Dated this 15th day of April, 1890.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
General Managers.
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THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the City Hall at Half-past Twelve o'clock, on SATURDAY, April 25th, 1890, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with a Statement of Accounts to December 31st, 1889.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. WHEELLEY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1890. [598]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$5,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL 2,000,000.
RESERVE FUND 1,450,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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Hon. C. P. CHATER, Vice-Chairman.

LEE SING, Esq.
S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.
J. S. MOSES, Esq.
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Estates managed and all kinds of Agency and Commission business relating to Land, etc., conducted.

Full particulars may be obtained at the Company's Office, No. 1, Queen's Road Central.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Victoria Buildings,
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1890. [63]

Intimations.

SOCIETE FRANCAISE DES HOUILLERES DE TOURANE.
SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that the FIRST MEETING will be held at Halphong, on the 26th Day of April, 1890.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1890. [655]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that A SPECIAL or EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 31st day of May next, at noon, for the purpose of considering, and, if approved, of passing the following Resolutions:—

1—That the Capital of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be increased from \$7,500,000 to \$10,000,000 by the creation of 20,000 New Shares of \$125, to be issued at the price of \$42 10s. Eastern Shareholders to pay for their allotments at the current rate of the day for Demand Bills on London.

2—That the said New Shares be in the first instance, in such manner as the Directors shall prescribe for that purpose, offered to the Shareholders in the proportion of one New Share for every three Shares of which on the 31st May, 1890, they shall respectively be the Registered Holders, and that any New Shares not accepted by the Shareholders within the time limited by the Directors for that purpose, be disposed of and allotted by the Directors in such manner and at such price as in their discretion they shall think best in the interest of the Company.

3—That payment of the sum of £42 10s. per share for each of the said New Shares be made as follows, viz:—

£10 12s. 6d. on the 30th day of June, 1890.
£10 12s. 6d. " 30th " Sept. "
£10 12s. 6d. " 31st " Dec. "
£10 12s. 6d. " 31st " March, 1891.

4—That the Directors issue to Shareholders holding shares not a multiple of Three a Fractional certificate in respect of each share in excess of or below such multiple, and allot one new share to every person who shall produce three such Fractional Certificates on or before the 30th June, 1890, and pay the first instalment in respect thereof.

5—That after payment of the first instalment and pending payment of the future instalments, Scrip Certificates in such form as the Directors may determine be issued in respect of such New Shares, entitling the Holders on payment of the remaining instalments, and subject to such other terms as to approval, date for lodging Scrip Certificates, and otherwise as the Directors may prescribe, to be registered as the Holders of the Shares represented by such Scrip Certificates respectively.

6—That interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum (free of income tax) be allowed out of the profits of the Company on all instalments paid in advance of the dates when the same become due and that from the 30th June, 1890, Holders of Scrip Certificates be entitled to participate in future dividends, in proportion to the amount of instalments paid up, on an equality with the other Shareholders of the Company.

7—That interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum be charged on every instalment which shall not be punctually paid, and be paid with such instalments.

8—That all moneys received from premiums on the said New Shares be added to the Reserve Funds.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
WADE GARDNER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1890. [570]

CAPTAIN GEORGE TAYLOR,
INLAND SEA AND JAPAN COAST PILOT.

Telegraphic Address:
POWERS,
Nagasaki.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1890. [571]

W. S. MARTEN,
ARTISTIC DECORATOR,
2, DUDDELL STREET,
HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [574]

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [575]

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STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1890. [54]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS
AND
CONTRACTORS,
YAU-MAT-TEI ENGINEERING WORKS,
Kowloon,
Hongkong, 6th June, 1889. [26]

To be Let.

TO LET.
A HOUSE in WEST TERRACE.
Entry 1st May.
Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1890. [511]

TO LET.

ONE LARGE ROOM on the Ground Floor of 13, Praya Central. Suitable for an Office.
Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1890. [497]

TO LET.

HOUSES Nos. 2 & 3, Cameron Villas, Peak. Gas laid on.
One spacious Five Roomed HOUSE at Mount Kellett, Peak. Gas laid on.
HOUSES Nos. 5 & 6, Des Vieux Villas, Mount Kellett, Peak. Gas laid on.
HOUSES Nos. 7, 17, 20, 22 & 23, Bellillo Terrace, Robinson Road.
The BUNGALOW Delmar, on Kowloon Farm Lot 1, Yow-mat-tee, with large Garden and Tennis Ground.
Apply to
BELLILIOS & Co.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1890. [634]

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Just below Peak Fl. 1st fl.

BAHAR LODGE—FURNISHED.

Apply to
HUGHES & EZRA.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1890. [612]

TO BE LET,

From 1st May, 1890.

NO. 4 DES VIEUX VILLAS, Mount Kellett, Peak, with use of Telephone up to the 1st December, 1890.

Apply to
HUGHES & EZRA.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1890. [633]

TO BE LET.

FROM the 1st of April next.—THE HOTEL SHOP at present in the occupation of Gate & Co. and the one adjoining thereto.
For particulars, apply to
R. LYALL,
Secretary,
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1890. [483]

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR of HOUSE, 15, Praya Central, and FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, Que n's Road Central.

Apply to
LAI HING & Co.,
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1890. [469]

TO LET.

FROM the 1st of March, ROOMS suitable for OFFICES on the first floor of the PREMISES in Pedder's Street at present occupied by Caldwell, MacGregor & Co.

Apply to
CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1890. [195]

TO LET,

Possession from 1st April next.

HOUSE No. 16, ELGIN STREET.
Apply to
L. KIRCHMANN,
No. 4, Ladder Street Terrace.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1890. [353]

TO LET.

FROM the 1st February next, Nos. 53, 55, & 57, PEEL STREET.

Apply to
EDWARD GEORGE.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1890. [110]

TO LET.

NOS. 25, 27, 31 and 35, ELGIN ROAD, behind the Old Union Church.

TOP FLOOR of No. 17, Old Bailey Street.
Apply to
ACHEE & Co.,
17, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1890. [